

# ARKANSAS

## WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



### *\*Planting Corn/Sorghum/Rice and Fertilizing Pastures*

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**RELEASED:** April 2, 2001 3:00 p.m.- Temperatures were slightly below normal for the week with rain falling during the middle of the week according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Recent rains have slowed field preparations and planting activities. 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 3 percent short, 66 percent adequate and 29 percent surplus.

**CROPS:** Planting corn, rice and sorghum were reported by several counties. Fertilizer is being applied to wheat, hay and pastures. Row crops ground preparations continued with pre-planting and herbicide and fertilizer application underway. Commercial tomatoes are being bedded and plastic layed.

**LIVESTOCK:** Cattle producers were working cattle. Cattle were in good condition with a few calves being weaned.

### Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %				Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM								
Planted	2	3	2					
RICE								
Planted	1	1	1					
CORN								
Planted	28	31	14					
WHEAT				1	10	38	45	6
Headed	0	5	3					
OTH. HAY				11	14	50	24	1
PASTURE				4	13	48	31	4

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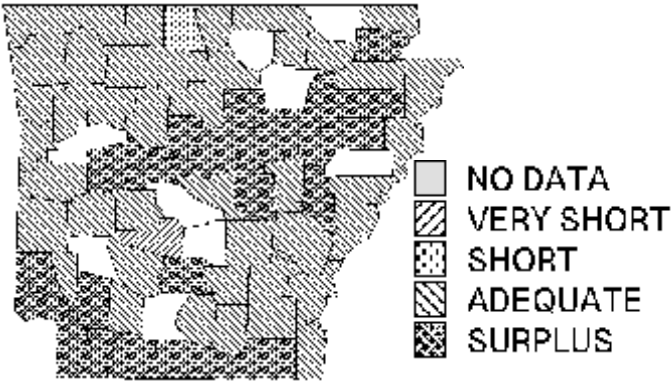
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

April 1, 2001. Some beneficial rainfall during the middle of the week. Monthly totals below normal. Temperatures averaged slightly below normal. Hot Springs reported the high temperature of 80°. Gilbert reported the low temperature of 18°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 0.79 inch at El Dorado to a low of 0.00 inch at several reporting stations.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: April 1, 2001

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL	WEEK ENDING APR 1	CURRENT MARCH ACCUM.	MARCH NORMAL	JANUARY-FEBRUARY	
							2001	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	71	20	-5	0.00	0.53	3.46	9.23	4.23
Harrison	66	23	-3	0.00	0.70	3.98	6.81	4.75
2 Calico Rock	70	24	-5	0.00	0.97	4.31	9.49	5.41
Evening Shade				na	0.00	4.86	0.00	6.13
Gilbert	72	18	-4	0.00	0.97	3.94	9.07	4.92
Greers Ferry	68	29	-3	0.00	2.33	5.21	9.80	7.00
Mountain Home	67	24	-3	0.00	1.05	4.09	9.14	5.21
3 Batesville	67	28	-5	0.05	2.05	4.80	8.60	6.56
Black Rock				na	0.00	4.86	0.00	7.56
Georgetown				na	0.00	5.31	0.00	8.56
Jonesboro	66	28	-4	0.03	3.08	5.16	9.71	7.81
Keiser	69	26	-4	0.08	2.99	5.36	8.95	8.37
Newport	69	30	-3	0.00	3.08	5.16	11.85	7.39
4 Booneville	77	32	na	0.05	1.03	na	9.40	na
Clarksville	73	32	-3	0.23	3.02	4.78	5.78	5.56
Dardanelle	72	30	-2	0.00	2.98	5.20	9.73	5.92
Ft. Smith	74	33	-1	0.04	1.52	3.95	10.14	4.50
Mena	75	31	-5	0.52	4.60	5.29	11.15	6.52
Ozark	71	30	-4	0.23	2.17	4.36	10.90	5.18
5 Hot Springs	80	33	-2	0.03	4.37	5.25	11.36	7.89
N Little Rock	76	33	-1	0.00	3.92	4.97	11.23	6.74
6 Augusta				na	0.00	5.12	0.00	7.35
Marianna	72	31	-5	0.00	2.51	5.36	11.17	8.45
Stuttgart	74	34	-2	0.04	4.82	5.09	12.61	8.09
7 Hope	76	36	-2	0.52	7.90	4.63	14.51	7.62
8 Camden	78	32	-3	0.01	7.76	4.90	14.98	8.31
El Dorado	78	33	-3	0.79	10.25	4.83	15.35	8.76
9 Arkansas City				na	0.00	5.45	0.00	9.93
Eudora	77	37	-4	0.34	9.09	5.81	14.09	10.07
Pine Bluff	75	34	-5	0.00	4.20	5.09	10.57	8.72
Rohwer	75	35	-4	0.00	5.53	5.58	15.66	9.45

na = data not available

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